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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 10/713,055; Filed: November 17, 2003

For: Flexure-Supported Split Reaction Mass

Inventors:

Galburt et al.

Our Ref:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
- 2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that an extension of time is necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 30, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that an extension of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if an extension of time not provided for herewith is necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.